

IN THE ABSTRACT

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REPLACEMENT ABSTRACT

A coding device ~~comprises~~ includes a coding circuit for converting a digital input into a coded output having a greater number of bits than the input, an interleaving circuit for combining a plurality of words of the coded output and producing therefrom a data block ~~comprising~~ having a plurality of the interleaved words, and a puncturing circuit or repeating circuit for puncturing or repeating bits from the data block. The puncturing or repeating circuit uses a deleting or repeating pattern to provide data words for transmission during respective frames of a transmission channel. The deleting or repeating pattern is selected depending upon the characteristics of the coding circuit and of the interleaving circuit. The coding device is for use in a cordless communication system.